REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

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August 12, 2003

FROM: MARK H. UFFER, Director

Arrowhead Regional Medical Center

SUBJECT: AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDATION: Approve affiliation agreement with Tuskegee University for students enrolled in Allied Health programs to obtain clinical experience at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center for the period August 12, 2003 through August 11, 2004, with automatic annual renewals.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This agenda item recommends approval of a new affiliation agreement between the Medical Center and Tuskegee University, for the clinical training of the University's allied health students.

A key component of the Medical Center's mission is to provide education to students in a variety of disciplines. The Medical Center has a number of agreements with universities and colleges, junior colleges, and technical and trade schools in which it provides on-site clinical training for students. This clinical training is necessary for students to obtain their degree, license and/or certification.

This is a new agreement, which will allow the Medical Center to provide clinical training for Tuskegee University students enrolled in their allied health programs. This agreement may be terminated, with or without cause, by either party after giving the other party ninety (90) days advance written notice of its intention to terminate.

The Medical Center employs a wide variety of allied health professionals, including occupational therapists, physical therapists, etc., throughout the hospital as well as the associated Family Health Centers. Providing clinical training to students has been shown to be an effective way to recruit potential employees.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Charles J. Larkin, Deputy County Counsel) on August 5, 2003 and HSS Administration (Carol Hughes, Administrative Analyst) on August 5, 2003.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no exchange of money in this agreement; therefore it imposes no local cost to the County.

COST REDUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item and recommends approval since this agreement imposes no local county costs.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): All

PRESENTER: Mark H. Uffer, Director, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, 580-6150

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